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NORTH CHINA ISSUES TRADE REGULATIONS:
KMT TRADE CENTER MAY SHIFT TO YUNNAN

LISTS IMPORT-EXPORT GOODS -- Chen-pu Jih-pao, 17 Mar 49

The North China Government has promulgated the following list of
import-export goods, supplement to earlier foreign trade regulations.
Goods are indicated by tariff numbers.

1. Export goods. This list is based on Customs Export Tariff
Numbers of 1934: [Guide to the Export Tariff (1934), Chinese Maritime
Customs, III: Miscellaneous Series, No 41, Shang-hai, 1947]

a. Free exports: 2, 90, 92, 93 - 96, 105, 107, 108, 150 and 214

b. Prohibited exports: 20, 47 - 54, 174, 175, and 217

c. Dutiable exports: All exports except those listed in a and
b above are liable to duty, which shall be collected according to the 1954
Schedule (as amended in September 1945). Duty-free items therein shall
uniformly pay an ad valorem tax of 5 percent.

2. Import goods. This list is based on Customs Import Tariff
Numbers of August 1948, revised as follows: [Guide to the Import Tariff,
III: Miscellaneous Series, No 40]

a. Dutiable imports: 97 - 101, 103, 104, 108, 109, 119, 130,
139, 146, 149, 150, 152 - 180, 182, 183, 186, 187, 191, 192, 195 - 201, 203 -
205, 209 - 214, 217 - 232, 234 - 239, 244 - 249, 268, 269, 271, 326, 333,
337, 343 - 350, 352 - 356, 364, 365, 373, 376, 381, 383, 384, 387, 391,
397, 400, 401, 426 - 439, 441 - 454, 456 - 461, 464 - 469, 472 - 475, 478,
480 - 483, 486 - 489, 491 - 498, 501, 505, 507 - 509, 511 - 514, 517, 518,
520 - 529, 531, 532, 534, 536, 537, 539, 541 - 547, 548 (a), 549, 555, 559 -
561, 565 (a), 574 (a), 576, 579 (a)(b), 592 (a), 598, 600, 620, 626, 628 -
631, 636, 639, 640, 644 (a)(d), 654, 659, 660 - 662, 672.

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- b. Duty-free imports: 181, 138.
- c. Prohibited imports: all goods not listed in a or b.
- d. All treaty customs rates are hereby abolished.

YUNNAN FORT MAY BECOME TRADE CENTER -- Kuan-ch'a Pao, 11 Jul 49

Since the Meng-tzu--Haiphong air line was established, there has been no difficulty in exporting Yunnan tin and other products. It is a one-way movement of goods, however, for the planes return empty. Informed persons say that if conditions are stable in this area, imports could be increased, and Meng-tzu could become the trade center for the four southwestern provinces. If Kuang-chou (Canton) becomes a battle area, Meng-tzu may become the main transshipment point.

The Jen-ch'i Tin Company has changed the former tin price of 265 yuan per 100 catties with a 60-catty tin content, so as to add 2 yuan for every catty in excess of 60. Thus, an increase of 4 catties of tin content in 100 catties would increase the price from 265 to 273 yuan.

To accommodate an increasing business, the company plans to enlarge its storage space and to begin smelting. The furnaces have been idle for 20 years but, if they now resume, the tin export business will greatly expand.

TIN LEAVES YUNNAN BY AIR -- Ko-chiu Jih-pao, 25 Jun 49

The Civil Air Transport Corporation began hauling tin ore on 22 June 1949, and it is estimated that 150 tons will be removed by 26 June. The tin is owned by the People's Enterprise Company. Hereafter, there will be no difficulty in getting Ko-chiu ore on the market.

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